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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Cedar Creek Hydro, LLC

Project No. 13324-001

## NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS

On April 2, 2011, Cedar Creek Hydro, LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Cedar Creek Pumped Storage Project to be located in Briscoe, Armstrong, and Randall Counties, Texas. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed pumped storage project would consist of: (1) a 60-foot-high, 12,700-foot-long earth embankment upper dam; (2) an upper reservoir with a surface area of 283.0 acre and a storage capacity of 7,660 acre-feet; (3) a 28-foot-diameter, 3,720-foot-long steel penstock; (4) a powerhouse/pumping station containing three pump/generating units with a total capacity of 660.0 megawatts; (5) a 140-foot-high, 1,600-foot-long earth embankment lower dam; (6) a lower reservoir with a surface area of 151 acres and a storage capacity of 8,550 acre-feet; and (7) a 26-mile-long, 240 kilo-volt (KV) transmission line. The project would have an estimated average annual generation of 1,816,000 megawatt-hours and the project power would be sold.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website

http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp</a>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at <a href="ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a> or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-13324-001) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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